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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/3/2006

SPONSOR Garcia, MJ LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE NMSU Chicano Program Student Outreach SB 405

ANALYST McOlash

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	\$55.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

New Mexico Higher Education Department (HED)

New Mexico State University (NMSU)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 405 appropriates \$55,000 from the General Fund to the Board of regents of NMSU for expenditure in FY 2007 to hire appropriate staff to support outreach and retention of student s in Chicano programs.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Since this appropriation specifically mentions hiring of staff, it is a recurring expense to the General Fund.

Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY 2007 shall revert to the General Fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

This request was not on the list of priority projects submitted by NMSU to the New Mexico Higher Education Department (HED) and was not included in the HED funding recommendation for FY07.

The NMSU analysis indicates the funds will be used to hire an Associate Director of Chicano Programs, to support outreach and retention of students in Chicano Programs. The Associate Director will provide information on academic preparation for admission to four-year degree programs, scholarships and financial aid information

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS

Is this program currently funded under the Research and Public Service Program process?

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